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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated June 30, 2004 in the above identified application, the period for response is set to expire on December 30, 2004, with a three-month extension fee filed herewith. Please amend the above identified application as follows: